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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Small Entity
15	- 20 or HP= 0	x \$50	= 0	Fee (\$)
				Fee (\$)
				25
				200
				360

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
6	- 3 or HP= 3	x \$200	= \$600

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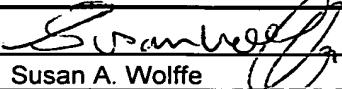
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2006, please amend this application and consider the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments beginning on page 8 of this paper.

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